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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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In re: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site, Elyria, Ohio ("CRS Site")

First Response to USEPA's General Notice of Potential Liability and Request for Information dated March 2, 2001 ("Notice")

Dear Ms. Sheppard-Johnson:

Please accept this letter as Chemtron Corporation's first response to the General Notice of Potential Liability and Request for Information referenced above. Chemtron is submitting this first response in good faith within ten (10) days of receipt of the Notice.

Chemtron is not willing to perform the activities described in your Notice regarding the CRS Site but is willing, upon a showing of liability by USEPA, to finance such activities as part of a PRP agreement/group with agreed upon pro-rata shares with the other PRP participants.

Under separate cover, Chemtron will submit its responses to the request for information within the Notice.

If you have any questions or comment, please contact me at 440-871-8048 for Chemtron's full cooperation.

Sincerely,

Richard M. Timm, Jr. Chemtron Corporation

General Counsel